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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Keigo OBATA, et al.

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Appln. Serial No. 09/543,356

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For: PLATING METHOD AND PLATING BATH PRECURSOR USED THEREFOR

### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

#### IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, after the title, please insert the following paragraph:

--This application is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/543,356, filed April 5, 2000, <sup>Now, U.S. Pat. No. 6,338,124</sup>

#### REMARKS

The above amendment has been made in order to include the prior application.

Entry of this Preliminary Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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